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For : A NOVEL HERBAL COMPOSITION FOR THE TREATMENT OF
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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 9, 2007 FINAL
OFFICE ACTION AS A SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114(c)
ACCOMPANYING A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
AND PETITION FOR FOUR-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

This Amendment is submitted in response to the February 9, 2007 Final Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. Applicants are concurrently submitting a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Accordingly, this Amendment is to be treated as a submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c) accompanying an RCE. The required fee for filing an RCE is EIGHT HUNDRED AND TEN DOLLARS (\$810.00) and a check including this amount is enclosed. A response to the February 9, 2007 Final Office Action was due on May 9, 2007. On July 9, 2007, applicants filed a Notice of Appeal from the Examiner's Decision to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences and Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time. The Notice of Appeal was received in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 16, 2007, setting the deadline for taking further action as September 16, 2007. Applicants hereby petition for a four-month extension of time. The fee for a four-month extension of time is ONE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED AND FORTY DOLLARS (\$1,640.00) and a check including this amount is enclosed. With a four-month extension of time, the deadline for taking further action is now January 16, 2008. Accordingly, the RCE and this Amendment as a submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c) accompanying the RCE are being timely filed.

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Please amend the subject application as follows:

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 2 of this paper.

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